

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE AND RESEARCH
WASHINGTON

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Dear Red:

The Office of Research and Reports has just published an excellent report on the value of interzonal trade to East Germany which we feel it is particularly appropriate for us to draw to your attention for commendation since the report responds to a request of ours. Last August we asked for help from ORR on this question because the Department needed an assessment for discussions with Federal Republic officials in Bonn about the interzonal trade negotiations then under way. ORR sent us in September a preliminary analysis which has been extremely helpful in the talks with the Germans. The final report which ORR has now published for wider distribution shows deep and sound knowledge of the entire spectrum of interzonal political and economic issues, and will continue for some time to serve us as a basic reference on interzonal trade. ER 65-31

Our experience over the years has led us to expect support of high caliber from ORR. We greatly appreciate this continuing assistance and, in particular, this able and expeditious response to a question of considerable difficulty.

Sincerely,

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Thomas L. Hughes

The Honorable
W. F. Raborn,
Director of Central Intelligence.

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TO: Director of Research and Reports

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THROUGH: Deputy Director for Intelligence

The Acting Director has noted this letter of commendation and has asked that his own appreciation for a fine performance be expressed to the Office of Research and Reports.



L. K. White
Executive Director-Comptroller

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